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#### Thank You, Governor

Christopher Sununu just completed his 4th Term as the 82nd Governor of the State of NH. Having been named the nation's most fiscally responsible governor by Cato Institute, Governor Sununu has delivered four balanced state budgets with no new taxes. In fact, he has:

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- Reduced property taxes by \$100 million,
- Delivered voluntary paid family medical leave.

Today, the Granite State is the fastest growing state in the Northeast, has one of the lowest unemployment rates in the nation, and the lowest child poverty rate of any state in America.

#### This week in history

**January 11, 1977** 

Song of Solomon wins National Award **January 12, 1919** 

Leaders of the "Big Four" nations meet

**January 13, 1982** 

Plane crashes into the Potomac

**January 14, 1784** 

The Treaty of Paris is ratified

**January 15, 1559** 

Elizabeth I crowned Queen of England

**January 16, 1995** 

Avalanche buries buses in Kashmir, India



A record 1,556 attendees spilled over from the gym to the cafeteria, auditorium and library.

# **Kearsarge School Spending Cap rejected**

17% School Budget cut defeated, 113 Yes - 1,435 No

A petitioned article seeking a 17% reduction in the Kearsarge Regional School District budget generated an overwhelming voter turnout, as a crowd of over 1,500 Kearsarge residents were packed into the high school's gym, auditorium, cafeteria, and library for the District's deliberative session. The turnout was so high a parade of cars blocked the off-ramp from I-89

and forced some people to walk about a mile to attend the meeting.

The traditionally lightly-attended deliberative session was ignited by a group of 35 residents frustrated by rising taxes petitioned to cap the district's budget at \$27,000 per student, roughly 17% lower than the amount it currently spends.

Their petition was the first in the

state to go to a vote following the passage of a new law last year that allows residents to propose budget caps.

92% of the 1,556 voters in attendance cast their ballots in opposition to the petition, which would have slashed the district's budget and placed the future of multiple schools and scores of positions in jeopardy.

# H-D School Board and teachers agree to a new contract

The Hillsboro-Deering School Board and Hillsboro-Deering Federation of Teachers have reached a contract agreement that will go to voters on March 11, 2025.

Both parties believe that this agreement is fiscally responsible and reflects the financial limitations of both towns in our district.

The new agreement allows our district to remain competitive in attracting and maintaining the most qualified

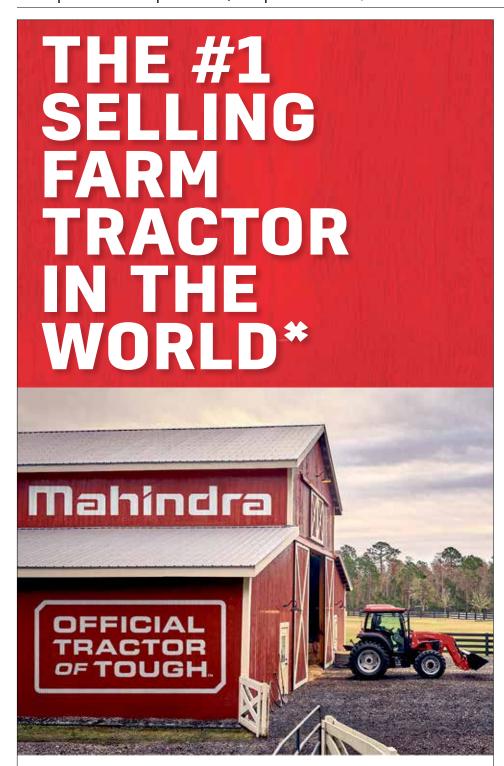
employees to work with our students.

The agreement includes several measures designed to limit the total cost of the warrant article including a 0% cost of living increase in the first year, an increase to the teachers' insurance contribution rate, introducing the option of a deductible insurance plan, and cost of living increases in years two and three that are below the rate of inflation.

We firmly believe this agreement is

in the best interest of students, tax-payers, families, and staff to keep our district moving forward in the years ahead.

The important dates are: • Public Hearing - Thursday, January 16, 2025 6pm, H-DMS Cafetorium • Deliberative Session - Tuesday, Feb 4, 2025 7pm, H-DMS Cafetorium • Ballot Voting - Tuesday March 11, 2025 • Deering Voters: 8am - 7pm, Deering Town Hall • Hillsboro Voters: 7am - 7pm, H-DMS Gymnasium. See page 7.

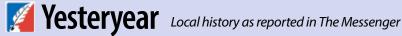


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#### **January 12, 2024**

Felon captured in New Boston Kerris named as Deering's Town Administrator White Birch Center to expand child care - take over Food Pantry Hillsboro participates in "Drive Sober or Get pulled Over"

#### **January 13, 2023**

Family escapes Warner house fire US Postal Service stamp honors New London's Tomie dePaola Antrim Select Board approves \$500,00 grant to be loaned to developer Henniker Community School students learn from Chinese artist

#### **January 14, 2022**

**Duston Country Club sold** Antrim man arrested for arson at Maplehurst Inn Stoddard man dies in Peterborough crash Henniker Community School budget lower than default

#### **January 15, 2021**

Bradford seeks Building Code repeal New Boston Board removes proposed Fire Station MV Kearsarge to be retired after 40 years service Antrim teen indicted for his father's murder

#### **January 17, 2020**

Deering man killed crossing I-293 New London voters may create Housing Commission Police & Highway funding boosts New Boston budget Police believe same man burglarized three Dunkins'

#### **January 18, 2019**

Henniker Select Board & Budget Committee at odds Hopkinton considering the sale of the Bates Building Mapping shows New London parcels are inaccurate ConVal School Board drops school consolidation

#### **January 19, 2018**

Court rules Bow owes Eversource \$14 million Warner ZBA shoots down indoor shooting range Eight towns aid Peterborough in fighting garage fire Henniker employees to pay more for health insurance

#### **January 20, 2017**

\$2 million winner in Northfield Hillsborough teenager escapes abduction attempt 200 Newport neighbors rally to support fire victims New Boston Selectmen accept three resignations

#### **January 15, 2016**

**Bow Public Safety Plans approved** Man arrested attempting to post bail for his pals New Boston rallies to aid disabled veteran Attempt to reduce Kearsarge budget fails

#### **January 16, 2015**

Shaw's Goffstown Plaza sold at auction ConVal Union and Board approve merit pay contract Henniker School Board rebuffs selectman's questions Two people hurt in Hopkinton rollover

# Infestation of bats forces closure of Newport Elementary School

Newport's Richards Elementary School was closed for inspection as there are hundreds of bats inside the building.

Newport School District Superintendent Donna Magoon reports that it all started when some staff at Richards Elementary School noticed that they weren't feeling so well, and later arranged an air quality test for the building.

"So, I'm hearing there's no type of mold or anything in our air, so what else could it be," Magoon said.

After another round of inspections, Magoon said a major discovery was made.

"They were hiding in poles, they were hanging from ceilings, they were everywhere," Magoon said.

Magoon said the discovery revealed there are hundreds of bats that are hibernating in the Richards Elementary School. "I think people are thinking its little, tiny black bats. It's not! It's huge," Magoon said.

School officials said they found out about the issue in mid-December, but it wasn't until Thursday that a staff member had to duck multiple times from a bat swooping in on them.

"When it came down on her, she had to drop down basically almost to the floor," Magoon said. A former student who attended Richards Elementary School in the 1980s said the bats have been in the school for decades. Her grandchildren now attend the school.

"We had one land on a student's desk when I was in third grade," said Dawn Whitehouse. "Sometimes, a student would get to go up [to the attic] with a teacher to take a glance at it."

Despite the bats issue at Richards Elementary School, all other schools will be open,



according to school officials.

A pest and wildlife service will do a full inspection of Richards Elementary School. The reason for the school being closed is that tiles need to be removed and see if and how the bats can be removed, according to Magoon. She also said the school is waiting on results from bat guano tests.

"Fish and Game was telling me [the bats] are a protected species, it's not like you can kill them," Magoon said.

Magoon said they are taking

the matter seriously and no students or staff will be allowed back in until it's safe.

"I won't let anybody back in the building until I know it's safe," she said. "Now I know there's an issue, now I got to deal with it."



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# Mometown Heroes



Congratulations to Lt. Amanda Charest on passing her paramedic program and national registry exam. This is a major undertaking and takes commitment and dedication to the field of EMS. We are beyond proud of you.



Sheriff Connelly and Captain Newcomb stopped in to see the new addition and renovations recently completed at the New Boston Police Department. They enjoyed visiting with local residents as well as officers and staff of the NBPD. Congratulations Chief Brace and NBPD.



Weare Police took part in ALiCE training at both the Weare Middle School and John Stark Regional High School. WMS Principal Barry participated as Junior Officer/Principal with Cpl. Vollaro. For those of you that do not know, ALiCE is the active shooter response the school system has adopted. ALiCE is a multilayer response to an extreme incident with many responses depending on the factors of danger. Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate.

# Henniker designated a Military Order of the Purple Heart Community

At its January 7th meeting, the Henniker Select Board proudly adopted the following proclamation:

"Whereas the people of the Town of Henniker have great admiration and the utmost gratitude for all of the citizens of our community who have selflessly served in the Armed Forces, which has been vital in maintaining the freedom and the way of life enjoyed by our citizens; and,

Whereas citizens of our community have been wounded in action or killed in action while serving in the Armed Forces, or have been posthumously awarded the Purple Heart for their ultimate sacrifices; and,

Whereas the Purple Heart is the oldest American military decoration and was created as The Badge of Military Merit made of purple cloth in the shape of a heart with the word "Merit" sewn upon it, on August 7, 1782 in Newburgh, New York by General George Washington; and,

Whereas the heritage it

represents is sacred to those who know the price paid to wear the Purple Heart; and,

Whereas August 7th is nationally recognized as Purple Heart Day.

Now therefore, we, the Select Board of the Town of Henniker, New Hampshire will recognize August 7th, annually, as Purple Heart Day, and urge the people and organizations of Henniker to display the American Flag as well as other public expressions of recognition of our Purple Heart recipients. And furthermore recognize Henniker as a Purple Heart Community."

Becoming a Purple Heart Community has several positive impacts on local veterans:

- 1. Recognition and Honor: It publicly acknowledges the sacrifices of veterans who have been wounded or killed in combat. providing them with the recognition they deserve[1].
- 2. Community Support: It fosters a supportive environment where veterans feel appreciat-

Members of Henniker's Board of Selectmen read a proclamation designating the Town of Henniker as a Purple Heart Community and presented it to members of Henniker's American Legion Post 78.

ed and valued. This can lead to increased community involvement and support for veteran-related initiatives[1].

3. Access to Resources: It often connects veterans with additional resources and support networks,

including local and national veteran organizations[2].

4. Enhanced Services: Communities may enhance services for veterans, such as dedicated parking spaces, special events, and other benefits that improve their

quality of life[3].

5. Mental Health Benefits: The recognition and support can positively impact veterans' mental health by reducing feelings of isolation and increasing their sense of belonging[4].



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commonly prescribed AGI; and Miglitol (Glyset), another FDA-approved AGI).

Aspirin use was associated with a greater absolute reduction in risk of colorectal cancer among individuals with less healthy lifestyles in a new study published in *JAMA Oncology*. The findings of the study suggest that lifestyle risk factors may be useful to identify individuals who may have a more favorable risk-benefit profile for cancer prevention with aspirin.

Sodium-glucose cotransporter-2 (SGLT-2) inhibitors used to treat type 2 diabetes might prevent dementia, providing greater benefits with longer treatment, suggests a large study published recently by *The BMJ*. The study of over-65s with type 2 diabetes suggested a decreased risk of dementia associated with SGLT-2 inhibitors versus another type of diabetes drug, dipeptidyl peptidase-4 (DPP-4) inhibitors. SGLT-2)inhibitors lower blood sugar by preventing the kidneys from reabsorbing glucose. They work by inhibiting sodium-glucose transport proteins in the nephron, which causes the kidneys to remove sugar from the body through urine. The FDA has approved four SGLT2 inhibitors for use in adults with type 2 diabetes: Canagliflozin (Invokana), Dapagliflozin (Farxiga), Empagliflozin (Jardiance), and Ertugliflozin (Steglatro). DPP-4 inhibitors that have FDA approval include sitagliptin, saxagliptin, linagliptin, and alogliptin.

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It's recommended that you visit a dentist at least twice a year. If you've gotten away from that, the time to get back into that schedule is now, when you are full of New Year's resolve to do something positive for yourself. Keeping your mouth healthy is a reward in itself. And it's financially sound, too: the earlier you catch a problem like a cavity or gum disease, the less expensive it will be to treat it. And with gum disease, for instance, you are not likely to be able to detect the onset of it. It takes a professional eye and examination. Since gum disease is the most common cause for the loss of teeth, it's a condition you definitely want to address early.

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Then-Greenfield Fire Chief David Hall presents Karen Day with a plaque in 2017 recognizing her for her work developing the town's emergency management plan. Courtesy photo.



Loon Preservation Committee biologist John Cooley, New Hampshire Fish and Game Sgt. Kevin Bronson and wildlife rehabilitator Maria Colby examine a loon rescued from Franklin Pierce Lake prior to releasing it on the ocean. Photo Courtesy Loon Preservation Committee.



New London's skating rink is now open.

#### Hillsboro-Deering School Budget and Teacher's Contract each up less than 2%

The H-D School Board reviewed and approved the Warrant for presentation to the voters at the upcoming Budget Hearing.

**ARTICLE 3:** The proposed Operating Budget has been set at \$24,834,714, which is a modest 0.97% increase over the current budget. If defeated, the Default Budget is \$24,710,026.

**ARTICLE 4:** Seeks \$2,505,000, which includes \$850,000 for food service and \$1,700,00 for federal & State projects.

**ARTICLE 5:** Sets the SAU #34 Budget at \$1,180,231, of which \$1,008,271 is the H-D share. If defeated, the Default Budget is \$1,195,168.

ARTICLE 6: Seeks ratification of a three-year contract with the Teacher's union. The 0.96% increase asks for increases of \$223,601 in 2025-2026, \$333,427 in 2026-2027, and

\$341,061 in 2027-2028.

**ARTICLE 7:** Allows the School District to call a Special Meeting if Article 6 is defeated.

ARTICLE 8: Originally asked for \$250,000 if any surplus to be deposited in the School Building Maintenance Fund, but was increased to \$350,000 after the Board discussed the future \$19 million in future maintenance costs for the aging three building campus. The Fund currently stands at \$359,000.

**ARTICLE 9:** Seeks \$10,000 of any surplus to be deposited into the Special Education Expendable Trust Fund, which currently holds \$808,000.

**ARTICLE 10:** Places \$2,500 of any surplus in the Technology Expendable Trust Fund, which currently stands at \$110,000.

**ARTICLE 11:** seeks approval of the Annual reports.



The Henniker Food Pantry received a very generous food donation from the Henniker Community School. Pictured is the Student Council, which coordinated the donation, and is overseen by Erin Gagliardi. Thank you so much.

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Most Traditional Display Winner: 161 Maple Street.



Largest Holiday Scene Winner & Viewers Choice WInner: 122 Maple Street.

# Six area departments assist Washington at Lake Ashuelot fire

On December 29, 2024, Washington Fire Department was dispatched to Lake Ashuelot Estates for flames coming from a garage. Shortly after the initial tone, a member from WFD on scene confirmed the garage to be fully involved. With familiarity to the address Chief Atkins called for a second alarm, anticipating exposure issues to the home.

fire from the garage that had begun spreading to the house. All residents were reported out of the house. Crew from Washington E1 stretched two lines and went to work preventing further spread to the house. Mutual aid towns shortly arrived and continued further

mutual aid towns, the home was saved with minimal damage.

We would like to thank our

mutual aid towns for their support. Lempster Fire Department, Bradford Fire Department, Antrim Fire

Department, Henniker Fire Department, Hillsboro Fire Department, Deering Fire Department.





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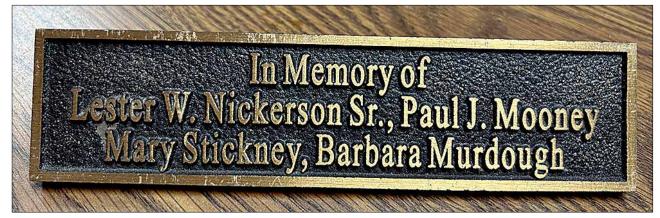
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# Publishers Perspective



One of several "Perpetual" name tags for Butler Park benches.

#### **Arrogant, Insulting, Shameful & Demeaning**

Hillsborough is a special town. We are surely not the largest, the richest or most glamorous town in the state, but what distinguishes us is our sense of togetherness, of community pride, and that New England barn raising spirit of volunteerism.

Until recently, the Kemp Park Committee, a group of volunteers, was working diligently to improve Hillsborough's newest attraction.

Several years ago, another group of volunteers headed by Gail Johnson, revitalized Butler Park into the showcase it is.

For generations, volunteers on the Park Board developed and improved the facility at Grimes Field.

All that changed dramatically when Project Genesis new Director James Clough was elevated to the position of Parks and Recreation Director. Under the direction and encouragement of the Select Board and Town Administrator, the volunteer boards were all disbanded and Clough was given the ultimate authority over Kemp, Butler, and Manahan Park and Grimes Field.

I am sure Mr. Clough is a well meaning individual, but he lacks any knowledge of Hillsborough's values and traditions. Under his leadership, progress at Kemp Park has stalled.

The revitalization of Butler Park was funded by the sales of memorial bricks and perpetual sponsorship

of park benches. Over the years, the original wooden benches have deteriorated and needed to be replaced. However, in replacing those with new metal benches, Clough has stripped them of the perpetual name plates like the one above and placed them in a scrap heap.

How Arrogant, Insulting, Shameful & Demeaning to the memory of those deceased family members and to the values and traditions of this community. Those names placards need to be attached to the new benches IMMEDIATELY.

One of the major improvements at Grimes Field has been the playground, funded and installed exclusively by The Hillsborough Lions Club for over a decade.

Lately, again with the direction and encouragement of the Select Board and Town Administrator, Mr. Clough has formed a committee consisting of two young mothers and grandmother from Warner, who babysits her Hillsborough grandchildren and uses the playground. That "Committee" without notifying the Lions, has decided to take over the playground, demolish it and construct a new playground similar to the one at the elementary school.

Any and all efforts to improve the town are welcome and to be encouraged, but can't we do it without insulting our hertitage?



Grimes Field Playground.



The "Stone Arch Players" would like to say thank you to our first founding sponsors, Frank and Judith Saunders Malinoski, the owners/operators of Dinkers Indoor Pickleball, for their generous donation of \$1400. This enables us to get one step closer to our goal of a community theater in Hillsboro. Pictured with Frank and Judith are the "Stone Arch Players" board of directors. From left to right: Joseph Kozlowski, Gene Gould, Frank Malinoski, Judith Saunders Malinoski, Kimberly Dambosie, and Bruce Saxton. Not present is board member Heidi Page. Stay tuned for upcoming events, like and follow our page, and check out Dinkers Indoor Pickleball.

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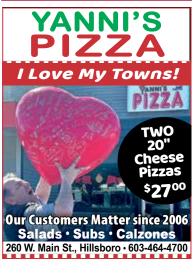
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Bob Evans Egg Whites	\$3.49	5.3 oz. Selected Variety Brown Cow Whole Milk Yogurt	5/\$ <b>5</b>	14-15 oz. Selected Variety Country Crock Vegetable Oil Spread	\$3.49
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# Sports

# NH All-Division Football Teams Division II West

**First Team Offense:** Alex Descoteau, John Stark, OL, Sr.; Keith Bush, ConVal, OL, Sr.

**First Team Defense:** James Healey, ConVal, DL, Sr.; Joey Dykstra, John Stark, LB.

**Second Team Offense:** John Stark, RB, Sr.; Roman Cadwallader, ConVal, TE; Kai Reitnauer, ConVal, WR, Sr.; Michael Gonzalez, ConVal, OL, Jr.; Parker Hamel, John Stark, OL, Soph.

**Second Team Defense:** Tim Lacharite, John Stark, LB, Sr.; Wetu Selby, ConVal, LB, Soph.; Matt Antognoni, John Stark, DB, Sr.

#### **Division II East**

**First Team Defense:** Chase Flagg, Bow, DL, Jr.; Brady Lover, Bow. DB Sr.

Second Team Defense: Ethan Conway, Bow, DL.

#### **Division III**

**First Team Offense:** Nash, OL, Soph., Newport. **First Team Defense:** Kamden Pollari, DT, Sr., Newport; Aidan Couitt, DE, Jr., Newport.

**Second Team Defense:** Aaron Fellows, DB, Sr., Newport. **Honorable Mention:** Amilio Urista, Sr., Newport; Aidan Ruckman, Soph., Kearsarge.

#### **Division IV**

First Team Offense: Robert King, RB, Hillsboro-Deering; Harrison Kaplan, RB, Franklin; Matt Mason, OL, Franklin. First Team Defense: George Sarkis, DL, Franklin; Ethan Franklin, DB, Hillsboro-Deering; Cole Johnson, K, Franklin. Second Team Offense: Daniel Richard, RB, Hillsboro-Deering; Cameron Labrec, TE, Franklin; Keagan Lamos, OL, Hillsboro-Deering.

**Second Team Defense:** Bennett, DL, Franklin; Andrew Abair, LB, Hillsboro-Deering; Layne LeFebvre, DB, Hillsboro-Deering.

**Honorable Mention:** Joshua Perron, QB, Hillsboro-Deering; Ethan Dominic Robinson, OL, Hillsboro-Deering; Allen Emery, OL, Franklin.

#### **Girls Basketball**

**Plymouth 51, John Stark 48:** Lexi Korbet made shots from the perimeter and attacked the basket, keeping the Generals in a back-and-forth contest, but Stark came up short in the end.

**Pembroke 57, John Stark 27:** In this first Community Classic, Pembroke Academy's girls and boys both came away with two wins – that count toward their regular season record – over John Stark in the packed Paul Hogan court. Pembroke ran away with the game early and kept its lead steadily to beat the Generals, 57-27. Junior guard Kate Stephens paced the Spartans with 16 points, seven rebounds, two steals and two blocks.

**Coe-Brown 59, ConVal 29:** After taking a 16-7 lead in the first quarter, the Bears came out in the second with a 21-3 run to put the game away.

**Pembroke 66, ConVal 47:** After a 14-14 tie at the end of the first quarter, the Spartans had a big second quarter to lead 34-26 at halftime and extended it to 52-38 at the end of the third to claim the Capital Classic championship on

their home court on Monday night.

**Bow 59, Concord 51, OT:** The Tide led by as many as 16 points in the third quarter, but Dylan Oosterveen scored 10 points in the fourth quarter to lead the Falcons' comeback to force OT and Concord's shooting went cold in the second half as Bow claimed third place in the Capital Classic.

**Bow 43, Merrimack Valley 41:** The Falcons trailed 11-4 at the end of the first quarter and 18-17 at halftime, but took a 28-27 lead at the end of the third quarter and hung on to win the Capital Classic championship in a physical battle on Monday night.

**Portsmouth Christian 60, Franklin 41:** The Eagles jumped out to an early 22-11 lead at the end of the first quarter, led 33-19 at halftime and opened the second half on an 8-0 run to end Franklin's Mike Lee Holiday Bash journey in Sunday's semifinal.

**Hopkinton 61, Conant 47:** After trailing 21-20 at halftime, the Hawks locked down defensively and used a strong transition offense to score 41 points in the second half to pull away late.

#### **Boys Basketball**

**John Stark 47, Plymouth 40:** Cedar Beaupre with less than a minute to play put the Generals ahead by nine points in a back-and-forth and physical game.

**Coe-Brown 52, ConVal 49:** The Bears moved into the top five of the Division II standings with a win on the road. **Kearsarge 50, Mascoma 21:** The Cougars led 12-4 after the first quarter and shut out the Royals to lead 28-4 at half-

time. Kearsarge led 42-10 heading into the fourth. **Kearsarge 67, Mascoma 56:** Mascoma led 17-15 after the first quarter, but the Cougars outscored the Royals in the second to take a 35-29 lead into halftime. Mascoma came right back and made another run, tying the game 44-44

up and the offense exploded from 23 points. **Pittsfield 52, Sunapee 35:** The Panthers led 27-24 at halftime and pulled away in the second half, outscoring the Lakers 14-5 over the final eight minutes to secure their first win of the season.

heading into the fourth, but Kearsarge's defense tightened

**Pittsfield 37, Sunapee 31:** Pittsfield outscored Sunapee 14-5 in the fourth to retake the lead and pull away.

#### Wrestling

### Kearsarge 6th, John Stark 13th, Hopkinton 18th, Franklin 19th, Hillsboro-Deering 21st

Key players: Kearsarge – Gage Richard. Several area wrestlers competed in a holiday tournament hosted by Lebanon High School. Vermont schools swept the top three – Springfield (194), Otter Valley (180) and Essex (146) – while Kearsarge (98), John Stark (56.5), Hopkinton (22), Franklin (21) and Hillsboro-Deering (16) also competed in the 22-team field.

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Members of the Hillsborough Select Board, Planning Board, Water & Sewer Commission and Economic Development Committee met in joint session to present their proposal for a Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District.

# **Proposed North Branch Gateway Zone**

Over the last year, Hillsborough's Economic Development Commission has been working on a proposal to establish the North Branch Gateway Zone TIF (in the vicinity of the US 202/NH 9 intersection) for consideration at Town Meeting 2025. The TIF plan has been developed in coordination with potential zoning changes in that area as well.

A TIF is an economic development tool that can help pay for necessary infrastructure costs at a lower overall cost to the Town. Public infrastructure such as sanitary sewers, water, storm drainage and the development of streets can be funded from the "Increment" of increased tax revenue that results from the increased property value of the new development.

Once a TIF plan is in place, the Town can then enter into agreement that allows a potential developer to construct necessary infrastructure improvements if they agree to develop the parcel in a specific way, ideally to support a mix of housing and commercial development to increase Hillsborough's tax base and provide a greater mix of housing opportunities. The TIF revenues can then offset some of the infrastructure costs incurred

by the development in coordination with the funding provided by the developer. The TIF is a proactive tool to achieve a development plan that would likely not happen if the TIF was not in place.

The purpose of the district is to support the development of the North Branch Gateway Zoning District by funding the construction of an intersection, public sanitary sewer, and potable water system extensions for the district, as well as providing a sidewalk extension southerly along US 202.

This TIP District is intended to support additional private development in the form of public/private partnership(s) where public water and sewer systems will be extended in conjunction within the North Branch Gateway Zoning District.

The objective of the district is to promote high quality development at the southern gateway to Hillsborough along US 202 consisting of a mix of housing types and affordability, up to eight (8) units per acre, integrated with retail, office and other types of non-residential land uses consistent with the Hillsborough Master Plan (2018).



Ten students received scholarships from Bow Rotary at the January 3 meeting. The 10 students are Maya Clough, Aiden Ciminesi, Juliette Tarsa, Julie Vose, Isabella Cannon, Alden Betterly, Sydney Ferland, Rorie Cochrane, Joseph McDowell and Liam Wells. Pictured from left are Scholarship Committee Chair Mike Griffin, Julie Vose, Maya Clough, Aiden Ciminesi, Alden Betterly, Rorie Cochrane, Isabella Cannon and Bow Rotary President Gerry Carrier.





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# New charges against Newbury sex offender

A child sexual abuse image distributor, now in prison, faces a new charge after being accused of accessing videos from a flash drive on a work computer while he was out on bail on a delayed sentence from earlier in the year. Marc Jacques, 50, was charged with one count of possessing child pornography after a two-month investigation into unauthorized hard drives he was allegedly in possession of in August and September. Initially, he was sentenced on September 9 to five years in prison and five years of supervised release after his sentence was fulfilled due to distributing child pornography. According to court documents, Marc Jacques uploaded 49 files of child sexual abuse material on the social media platform Kik between November and December 2021. His IP address in Newbury, as well as the residence of a girlfriend in Hopkinton, were reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and were connected to at least 40 CyberTips related to online sexual exploitation of children between 2018 and 2022, as reported by Reddit, Google, Tumblr, and sendvid. A search of the Kik account found at least 26 files had been disseminated in messages during the

Along with the prison sentence, he must also pay \$26,500 to five girls ID'd in some of the videos he possessed as part of his restitution after his home is sold.

# Bennington man arrested after fleeing traffic stop

On Sunday, January 5, 2025, Andrew Fletcher Mackenzie, 22, of Bennington, NH, was arrested following a vehicle pursuit in Hillsboro. Mackenzie failed to stop for officers attempting to initiate a traffic stop and fled at a high rate of speed. During the pursuit, he struck a traffic island, causing damage to his vehicle, which ultimately came to a stop on Antrim Road just past the courthouse. Mackenzie was taken into custody without further incident. He was held on \$5,000 cash bail at the Hillsborough County House of Corrections. Charges include: Disobeying an Officer, Reckless Operation, Negligent Operation, Operating After Certified Habitual



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# Franklin Police arrest subject for probation violation

On the evening of December 30, 2024 officers from the Franklin Police Department attempted to make contact with Taylor Carpentier who had an active arrest warrant for a Probation Violation at the McDonalds parking lot in Franklin.

Taylor fled from officers when they attempted to make contact with him in a vehicle. Taylor led officers on a motor vehicle pursuit which ended in a motor vehicle crash in the Tilton, NH area.

Taylor was able to flee the area on foot but he was later apprehended while traveling as a passenger in a vehicle in Franklin. The Franklin Police Department would like to thank NH State Police, Tilton PD and Laconia PD who assisted with this incident.

# Franklin man arrested for driving as an habitual offender

Lewis D. Jenna, 44, of Franklin, was arrested at 11:08 a.m. on December 19 on a felony operate after certified as a habitual offender charge after an incident or investigation at 242 S. Main Street.

# Warner man arrested for leaving accident scene

Stephen K. Brown, born 1958, of Warner, received a summons at 10:30 a.m. on November 21 on a conduct after an accident charge after an incident or investigation at 237 S. Main Street.

Eric P. Childs, 59, of Bradford, received a summons at 9:50 a.m. on November 19 on a driving after revocation or suspension charge after an incident or investigation at the McDonald's Restaurant at 90 S. Main Street.

# Sunapee woman surrenders herself on theft charge

On December 12th, 2024 at approximately 11:53 hours, Officer Joseph Merullo received a report of a ring that had been pawned off at a pawn shop in Keene which was then reported as stolen. The ring was valued at \$12,000. Over the course of the investigation and speaking with all involved parties, a suspect was identified. The suspect was identified as: Angela M. Scanlon (47) of Sunapee, NH. On December 16th, 2024, Ofc. Merullo was able to recover the stolen ring from the pawn shop. On December 20th, 2024, a warrant was applied for and subsequently granted for the arrest of Scanlon of the following charge: Theft by Unauthorized Taking \$1501+ - NH RSA 637:3 - Felony Class A. On December 29th, 2024 at approximately 10:00 hours, Scanlon turned herself in at the Sunapee Police Department. She was escorted to the Booking Room for booking and processing per department policy.

She was then bailed and released on personal recognizance at approximately 10:50 hours with an arraignment date of March 4th, 2025 at the 5th Circuit Court in Newport, NH.



Select Board members Jill Smith (I), and Steve Diers (r) welcome Jodi Pinard (c), Deering's new Town Administrator.

#### Deering welcomes Jodi Pinard as Town Administrator

Jodi Pinard started her public sector career with the Raymond School District as a Special Education Office Coordinator in 2000. She then moved on to the Hooksett Public Works Department in 2003 as the Administrative Assistant.

This is where she learned about municipal budgeting, human resources and over all municipal government operations.

After 9.5 years with Hooksett, she moved on to become the Town Administrator in Chichester, NH in 2013, and stayed until she was recently offered the position of Deering Town Administrator. She has over 24 years of service in the public sector and looks forward to continuing her career here.

Jodi shares that she has been married to her husband, Kevin for 21 years and they have 2 beautiful daughters, Sarah (20) and Abigail (16). They reside in Hooksett and have for over 20 years. She is a Hooksett Town Councilor and has been since May of 2023.

One of the most important things Jodi does is volunteer for CASA. This is a Court Appointed Special Advocate for abused and neglected children across the state of NH. This is where she becomes the voice for children that need to be heard.

#### Bow woman honored for dedication to Girl Scouts

Alexandra "Allie" Lafond has been recognized for her contributions as a Girl Scout troop leader and other activities with the council's Thanks Badge.

Lafond, 33, of Bow, has led Girl Scout Troop 60258 for five years. It currently has 21 girl members in different age groups. She has completed Basic Outdoor Living Skills training, attended an alum gathering called Farnsworth Weekend, is a member of the council's Alumnae Advisory Board, was a National Council delegate to Girl Scouts of the USA, and was on a task force to update the council's human resource policies and procedures. She also took part in a 2019 Juliette Low Seminar in Peru as part of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, which she followed up by creating a program to connect with 100 girls ages 12 and up about leadership. Lafond is "a bright light in our council who works tirelessly with her troop," said Kelli Brown, director of fund development for Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains, the council serving New Hampshire and Vermont.

Lafond joined the council's Alumnae Advisory Board in 2020, serving for two years, and was instrumental in creating a mentor program that paired graduating Girl Scouts with Girl Scout alums.

Deborah Drake, also a member of the Alumnae Advisory Board, said Lafond consistently goes beyond the responsibilities of her position.

"She is appreciative of everyone's time, commit-



Alexandra Lafond (I).

ment, and contributions and is an effective organizer and communicator," said Drake. "Allie has been working on the Service Subcommittee looking for opportunities for alumnae to give back to Girl Scouts and communities. She is thoughtful and creative in her approach to trying to keep things active and fresh."

Chief Executive Officer Patricia Mellor lauded Lafond's dedication, noting her participation on the council's Board Governance Committee.

"She helps ensure board training and the continuation of our council leadership," said Mellor. "Since Allie is not a board member, she provides a unique perspective and conducts the majority of exit interviews to gather feedback.



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**DEERING:** 45 Keyes Farm Road. Recently renovated mobile on a dead end road in a Coop park. Near trails. \$129,900



**BRADFORD:** 2951 State Route 114. Commercial building with over 11 acres. Near Lake Massasecum and beach area. Less than 20 minutes from Lake Sunapee/Sunapee Ski Area. \$349,000



WINDSOR: 64 Black Pond Road. Two bedroom home in low tax Windsor. Detached garage/workshop. Also, detached woodshed. Nice backyard. \$149,900



**HILLSBORO:** 19 Huntington Drive. ELVD, 4 beaches and playground for residents. Near Fox Forest for hiking, near snow mobile trails. \$229,000

Thanks for a wonderful 2024 and looking forward to a better 2025!



**DEERING:** 30 Johnson Road. Three bedroom mobile home on large lot in a Coop park. Detached garage. Near Rte. 202 between Hillsboro and Antrim. \$69,900.



# **Events:** Community Bulletin Board

#### **FRIDAY JANUARY 10**

**THE BRIT PACK:** At The Claremont Opera House: 7:30pm, 58 Opera House Square, Claremont, NH. British Born but American Made, The Brit Pack brings the best of British rock music to stages across the USA.

#### **TUESDAY JANUARY 14**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** Goffstown Town and School Budgets 6:00pm Bieber Auditorium Goffstown High School.

#### **THURSDAY JANUARY 16**

**TASTY THURSDAY:** The next (almost) monthly Tasty Thursday is at 5:00pm at Smith Church (30 West Main St, Hillsboro - the church with the clock tower). The dinner is free although donations are accepted.

#### **THURSDAY JANUARY 23**

**BOOK CLUB:** The American Legion Post 50 Myers-Prescott-Olson on 7 West St in Antrim will host its inaugural Book Club meeting at 7:00pm. Killer Angels by Michael Shaara is the book we will use to discuss leadership at the battle of Gettysburg. Questions: 603-588-2908. All are welcome, you do not have to be an American Legion member. **PANCAKE COMMUNITY SUPPER:** Hillsborough Parks & Recreation is serving breakfast for dinner 5:00pm at 7 School Street. The Public is invited.

#### **FRIDAY JANUARY 24**

**COFFEE WITH A COP:** 8:00am-10:00am at the Franklin McDonalds. Bringing our police officers and the community

together over coffee to discuss issues and learn more about each other.

#### **SATURDAY JANUARY 25**

**GHOST RIDERZ:** Ghost Riderz at American Legion Post 59, Hillsboro. Join us as we make our debut at the American Legion Post 59 in Hillsborough NH. We will be playing a wide variety of music for dancing. We will be performing from 7:00pm-11:00pm.

**OPEN DOOR:** The next Open Door acoustic music and more is at 7:00pm at Smith Church (30 West Main St, Hillsboro - the church with the clock tower).

**CHRISTMAS TREE BONFIRE:** Sponsored by the Henniker Lions Club. \$15 Tree Pickup includes admission. \$15 general admission suggested donation. All proceeds go toward Henniker Fuel Assistance.

#### **THURSDAY FEBRUARY 6 - SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9:**

**MEN OF IRON RETREAT:** Bethel Farm, 34 Bethel Road, Hillsborough. Thurs., Feb. 6 5:00pm-Sun., Feb. 9 5:00pm. Men's therapy retreat inspired by Robert Bly's "Iron John," where participants embark on a transformative odyssey into the depths of their psyche.

#### **SATURDAY FEBRUARY 15**

MORSE SPORTING GOODS SCORING DAY: 10:00am-4:00pm. Scoring Deer, Bear and Moose. Event by NH Antler & Skull Trophy Club. Anyone welcome.

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 15-16:** 

**WASHINGTON FISHING DERBY:** Camp Morgan Lodge opens at 5:00 for breakfast. Tickets \$6- \$15.



The flag-draped casket of former President Jimmy Carter is transferred to a horse-drawn caisson at the U.S. Navy Memorial before traveling on to the Capitol in Washington, Tuesday, January 7, 2025, where Carter will lie in state. (AP)

# WASHINGTON, NH NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held by the Planning Board on Tuesday, **January 21, 2025** at 6:30 PM in the upper hall at Town Hall.

- To discuss the amended section #200.2 being put forth as a compromise by the Planning Board.
- To discuss an amendment to the proposed definition for Lodging.

The full language of the proposed changes are posted on the Town Website.

The public is invited to attend or comment in writing to the Planning Board prior to the hearing.

#### 5 WAYS TO TRANSFORM YOUR HOME IN THE NEW YEAR: PART I



By: Ioyce Bosse

Looking ahead to a new year can inspire dreams and ideas for exciting ways to transform your home — but it can also feel daunting to take on a list of new projects. The good news is you don't need a total remodel to get the home you want, and even small changes can bring new life to your home.

By: Joyce Basse Whether you're craving a complete transformation or just a few impactful changes, here are some specific approaches to enhance any room in your home:

#### Shed some new light

Lighting isn't just functional; it's a mood maker, a style statement. This year, embrace the elegance of recessed lighting. These fixtures blend seamlessly into your ceiling, offering a sleek, modern look that opens up any room. Imagine soft, ambient light that enhances your living space's warmth and character.

Recessed lighting isn't just for living rooms; it can transform kitchens, bedrooms, and even bathrooms into sophisticated spaces. Plus, it's surprisingly versatile — dimmable options can switch your room from a bright, energetic workspace to a cozy, intimate nook in seconds.

#### Start from the bottom up

Floors are the unsung heroes of home design. They set the stage for your entire decorating scheme. So if you really want to reset the vibe of your home, consider starting with fresh hardwood flooring. Few other investments and home improvement projects can refresh and revive your home like solid hardwood floors. Hardwood floors are a timeless home décor choice that bring warmth, luxury and comfort underfoot and are built to last generations. More tips next week!

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#### -TOWN OF HENNIKER -

# SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST NOTICE

The Supervisors of the Checklist of Henniker, NH will be at the Henniker Town Hall Tuesday, January 21, 2025 from 7:00-7:30 p.m. for voter registration, changing party affliation, or to update your name or address. Please bring a photo id, birth certificate or passport, proof of residency (ie: vehicle registration or utility bill).

#### TOWN OF DEERING SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2025 7:00-7:30 PM

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Tuesday, January 22, 2025 from 7-7:30PM at the Deering Town Hall, 762 Deering Center Road for corrections to the checklist. Change in party registration may be accepted.

# TOWN OF HENNIKER NOTICE OF PUBLIC BOND AND BUDGET HEARINGS

#### Tuesday February 4, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

Henniker Community Center 57 Main Street Henniker, NH 03242

#### Notice of 2025 Town of Henniker Cogswell Waterworks Bond or Note Hearing

The Board of Selectmen & the Cogswell Water Commissioners will hold a public hearing for the purpose of discussing and hearing public input for the proposed 2025 Warrant Article for the issuance of \$500,000 in bonds or notes for the purpose of water infrastructure improvements to Replace Water System Services Improving Compliance with the Federal Lead and Copper Rule. The question of whether to issue bonds or notes for this purpose will be placed on the warrant to be voted on at the Town Meeting, Saturday March 15, 2025. This hearing is being held pursuant to RSA 33:8-a.

#### 2025 Henniker Operating and Wastewater Budget Hearing

Immediately following the Cogswell Waterworks Bond or Note Hearing and in accordance with RSA 32:5,I,V the Henniker Board of Selectmen/Wastewater Commissioners will hold a public hearing to review and hear public input on the proposed 2025 Henniker municipal and wastewater operating budgets and warrant articles.

More information about the hearings, proposed warrant articles and budget is available at the Town of Henniker Town Office 18 Depot Hill Rd Henniker NH 03242, Town of Henniker website www.henniker.org or by calling 603-428-3221.



#### Obituaries: Friends & Neighbors Remembered

#### Allan H. Williams

HILLSBORO - Allan H. Williams, 70, of Hillsborough,



NH, succumbed to cancer on January 2, 2025, at Concord Hospital's Hospice House, surrounded by family. Born on January 31, 1954, Allan was the third of four children of Gilbert L. Williams and Ruth A. Williams (both deceased). He is survived by

his brother, Thomas E. Williams, Hillsborough, NH, and sisters, Jean E. Williams, Tewksbury, MA, and Ann M. Williams, Francestown, NH; his nieces, Christina L. Greemore (Laurence) of Hillsborough, NH, and Amanda W. Blevens (Christopher) of Hillsborough, NH, and his nephew, Adam G. Billitzer, Stevenson Ranch, CA; and great-niece and great-nephews. Calling hours will be from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 11, 2025, at the Holt-Woodbury Funeral Home, 32 School St., Hillsborough, NH, 03244. A memorial service will be held at 4:00 p.m. in the funeral home. All are welcome. Burial will take place in the spring at the Maple Avenue Cemetery, Hillsborough, NH. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, the Hillsborough Rescue Squad, or to a charity of the giver's choice.

#### Virginia "Cookie" Wilson

HENNIKER - Virginia "Cookie" Wilson, 76, passed away



peacefully and unexpectedly at her cherished home in Henniker, New Hampshire. Born in Lowell, Massachusetts, Cookie is predeceased by her loving parents, Anthony and Virginia Netto,

and her sister, Patricia, along with Patricia's husband, John Illg. She leaves behind her adoring husband, Lee; her son, Richard Armstrong, and his wife, Megan of Windham; her daughter, Jill McClure, and her husband, Matthew of Hillsboro; and her four treasured grandchildren: Jack, Paul G., Lexi, and Jake. Private services will be held to honor her extraordinary life.

#### Todd M. Corazzini

ANTRIM - Todd Michael Corazzini, 61, of Antrim, NH,



passed away on December 27, 2024, leaving a legacy as a loving son. brother, uncle, cousin, and friend who brought joy to all who knew him. He is survived by his loving and devoted father, Richard R. Corazzini: his brothers, Richard; Jeff and his

wife, Lina; and Scott and his wife, Rubina. He leaves behind a cherished family, including his niece, nephew, grand-nephews, grand-niece, Uncle Frederic, and Aunt Edna. Additionally, he is remembered by two aunts, Maureen Korzelius and Eileen VonBirgelen, along with numerous beloved cousins and his close friends, Jason Kouyoumjian and Deb Priest. Todd was predeceased by his cherished mother, Kathleen (Kitty) Meade Corazzini; his sister, Corrine (Kim) and her husband, David Prentiss. There will be no calling hours or service, and the

family will release the date of his celebration of life in Todd's memory in the spring of 2025. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to The Antrim Bennington Food Pantry. Monetary donations can be made by mailing a check to P.O. Box 206, Antrim, NH 03440.

#### John L. Voorhees

ANTRIM - John L. Voorhees, 80, of Antrim NH passed



away at Concord Hospital on December 24, 2024, surrounded by his loving family. John is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Roberta (Hazen) Voorhees; children, Christopher and Pamela Voorhees, Mark (Toby) and Sharon Voorhees, and Christine

Mailloux; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; bonus son, William Patten. John was preceded in death by his parents, Lewis and Emily Voorhees; (sister) Mel Rathburn, Shinglehouse, PA, (sister) Jackie Carpenter, Hillsboro, NH; (son) John Lewis Voorhees Jr Antrim, NH. A celebration of John's life will be announced in the spring.

#### **Robert W. Whitmore**

WEARE - Robert W. Whitmore of Weare, NH, passed



away on Dec. 23, 2024. He was born on Oct. 20, 1936, the son of William and Margaret (Lange) Whitmore. He leaves behind Edna, his wife of 66 years, as well as his three children, Linda, Michael and Carol; his two grandchildren; and his three

great-grandchildren. Calling hours will be held at the French and Rising Funeral Home, 17 S. Mast St., Goffstown, NH 03045, on Saturday, Jan. 11, from 1-4 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to a charity of your choice. The family will have a celebration of life at a later date.

#### **Russell A. Grant**

GOFFSTOWN - Russell A. Grant peacefully passed



on Dec. 21, 2024. He was born in Goffstown in 1935. Russell was predeceased by two of his sons, Russell Jr. and Michael. He will be missed greatly by his family members, son, David and his wife, Deb; three grandchildren, Cory and his wife,

Alyssa; Steven and his wife, Emma; and Megan and her husband, Jim. Russell also had four great-grandchildren whom he cherished. Services: Private services will be held. If you would like to make a donation in his memory, please do so to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation give. cff.org/yearendweb/donate.

#### **Daniel W. Hebert**

WEARE - Daniel W. Hebert, 62, of Weare, NH, passed away suddenly at home on Dec. 28, 2024. Born in Manchester, NH, on May 20, 1962, he was the son of Ernest Hebert Jr. and Jeannette (Roux) Leonard. Daniel resided in Manchester for most of his life before moving to Weare, NH, in 1994. Daniel is survived by his beloved wife of 40 years, Lillian (Ballard) Hebert; three sons,



Kevin M. Hebert of Manchester, Brian A. Hebert of Manchester and Timothy S. Hebert of Manchester; and his brother, Russell Hebert and his wife, Carolyn "Lynn" Hebert of Manchester. He also leaves behind many dear friends and extended family members

who will hold his memory close. Daniel was predeceased by his sister, Debbra Hebert; and brother, Steven Hebert. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Liberty House, 221 Orange St., Manchester, NH 03104, libertyhousenh.org.

#### WINDSOR **SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### **FILING FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES:**

Persons interested in being a candidate for the following school district offices may file for these positions between January 22, 2025, and January 31, 2025 at 4:30 PM at the Town Office. Persons wishing to file should contact the Town Clerk at the Windsor Town Office, 603-478-3292 or the Superintendent of School's office at 603-464-4466.

> 2 School Board Members - 3-year term 1 School Board District Moderator — 1-year term 1 School District Clerk — 1-year term 1 School District Treasurer — 1-year term 1 School District Auditor — 1-year term

#### **PETITIONED WARRANT ARTICLES:**

Persons wishing to submit warrant articles for inclusion in the 2025 Windsor School District Warrant must submit such petitioned warrant articles to the School Board, or one of its members, no later than **February 7, 2025 at 4:30 PM**. Persons wishing additional information may contact the Superintendent of School's office at 603-464-4466.

#### **PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING:**

The Windsor School Board will hold a Public Budget Hearing on Thursday, February 13, 2025 (Snow Date: February 14th) at 6:00 PM in the Windsor Town Hall.

The purpose is to receive public input on the Windsor School District's proposed FY 2025-2026 operating budget and proposed warrant articles. The public is encouraged to attend.

The regular Board meeting will begin at 6:00 PM and recess for the public hearing.

#### WINDSOR SCHOOL DISTRICT **ANNUAL MEETING: TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2025**

You are hereby notified to meet on Tuesday. March 11, 2025, to vote on the election of officers and on all warrant articles. Voting shall take place at the following location:

> Town of Windsor 14 White Pond Road Windsor, NH 03280



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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### **TOWN OF HILLSBOROUGH** SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

The Hillsborough Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 7:00-7:30 p.m. for the purpose of adding to, deleting, and making corrections to the Checklist at the Hillsborough Town Office, 27 School St., Hillsborough, NH.

If you live in Hillsborough, including the ELVD, and you are not registered, please bring a photo ID, proof of residency, and proof of citizenship.

#### Town of Weare

#### **SELECTMEN'S OFFICE PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to RSA 33:8-a, I, the Weare Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 20, 2025, at 6:55 PM at the Weare Town Office Building, 15 Flanders Memorial Road concerning the proposed financing of the following project:

\$1.25 million – lease purchase/bond/note for a new fully equipped fire engine. The Board shall determine the form of the warrant article for the proposed bonding based on testimony received at the public hearing.

Immediately following the lease purchase/bond/note hearing for the proposed fully equipped fire engine, the Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing pursuant to of RSA 32:5 concerning the proposed 2025 Town of Weare Operating Budget, including all separate, special and petitioned Warrant Articles, as well as disclosure of the Default Budget.

This hearing will be held at the Town Office Building conference room, 15 Flanders Memorial Road, Weare, NH. Please note, any person with a disability who wishes to attend this meeting and needs to be provided a reasonable accommodation in order to participate, should call the Weare Board of Selectmen's Office at 529-7535 at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance so that arrangements can be made.

#### TOWN OF DEERING

Filing Period for Elected Positions

Filing period for open elected positions begin on January 22, 2025 and end at 5:00pm on January 31, 2025, at the Town Clerk's office.

3 Year Term Selectman Moderator 2 Year Term 3 Year Term **Cemetery Trustee** Cemetery Trustee 3 Year Term Library Trustee 3 Year Term 3 Year Term Trustee of Trust Funds Trustee of Trust Funds 3 Year Term expiring 2026 Supervisors of the Checklist 6 Year Term expiring 2028 Supervisors of the Checklist 6 Year Term expiring 2030

#### **WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### FILING FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES:

Persons interested in being a candidate for the following school district offices may file for these positions between January 22, 2025 and January 31, 2025 (by 4:30 PM) at the Town Office. Persons wishing to file should contact the Town Clerk at the Washington Town Office, 603-495-3667 or the Superintendent of School's office at 603-464-4466.

> 2 School Board Members – 3-year term 1 School Board Members — 1-year term 1 School District Moderator — 1-year term

1 School District Clerk — 1-year term 1 School District Treasurer — 1-year term

#### **PETITIONED WARRANT ARTICLES:**

Persons wishing to submit warrant articles for inclusion in the 2025 Washington School District Warrant must submit such petitioned warrant articles to the School Board, or one of its members, no later than February 6, 2025 at 4:30 PM. Persons wishing additional information may contact the Superintendent of School's office at 603-464-4466.

#### **PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING:**

The Washington School Board will hold a Public Budget Hearing on Tuesday, February 11, 2024 (Snow Date: February 12th) at 6:00 PM in the Washington Elementary School.

The purpose is to receive public input on the Washington School District's proposed FY 2025-2026 operating budget and proposed warrant articles. The public is encouraged to attend.

The regular Board meeting will begin at 6:00 PM and recess for the public hearing.

#### **WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING:** SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2025

You are hereby notified to meet on Saturday. March 8, 2025, at 9am to vote on the election of officers and on all warrant articles. Voting shall take place at the following location:

> **Washington Elementary School** Multi-Purpose Room 62 Wolf Way Washington, NH 03280

#### **TOWN OF HILLSBOROUGH** Filing for Town Offices

Persons interested in being a candidate for the following town offices, may file for these positions starting January 22, 2025. The deadline for filing is January 31, 2025. Persons wishing to file should go to the Hillsborough Town Clerk's office.

Selectman One for three year term

Trustee Fuller Public Library Two positions for three year terms

One for three year term Trustee of Trust Funds Water/Sewer Commissioner One for three year term **Cemetery Trustee** One for three year term

**Planning Board** Two positions for three year terms

Zoning Board Of Adjustment Two positions for three year terms

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE** HILLSBORO-DEERING SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### **Community Members Needed To Serve On Committees**

Facilities Committee - On December 16, 2024, the Hillsboro-Deering School Board voted to form the Hillsboro-Deering School District Facilities Committee, as a standing committee of the Hillsboro-Deering School Board, in accordance with H-DSB Policy BDE.

Responsibilities of the Hillsboro-Deering School **District Facilities Committee:** 

Document and annually revise the long-term facilities plan that encompasses all buildings within the district. The plan should include strategies and timelines for both the funding and work effort of all significant projects related to the district's buildings and grounds.

Work with the district's administration and any consultants to develop plans and proposals for projects; present recommendations to the full board.

Monitor and recommend grant funding options as they become available to support the district's facilities goals; present opportunities and recommendations to the full board.

Support the Policy Committee in matters relating to facilities.

Meet a minimum of four times a year.

If you are a resident of either Hillsboro or Deering and interested in serving please complete the online form at: https://forms.gle/Qm7ecjvRZwAQny7J6 or submit a letter of interest to the chairperson of the Hillsboro-Deering School Board at SAU #34, 78 School St. 3rd floor, Hillsboro, NH 03244 by Wednesday, January 15, 2025. You will be contacted if you have been selected to serve.

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